

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

In the Specification:

Paragraph beginning on page 2, line 18:

Carpet cleaning machines typically include a wand with a cleaning head that is movable over the carpet, or a rotating platform that rotates one or more cleaning heads over the carpet. The cleaning heads usually include a spray nozzle for spraying a liquid, such as a cleaning solution, onto and/or into the carpet. In addition, the cleaning heads usually include a vacuum head for vacuuming or sucking the fluid, and any dirt, from the carpet. The vacuum heads commonly include a large opening, such as with an inverted funnel, which [sit] sits and [move] moves atop the carpet.

In the Claims:

1. (Amended) A vacuum head device configured to withdraw a fluid from a carpeted surface, the device comprising:

a) an elongated base plate configured to be movably disposed on the carpeted surface, and having a tapering cross section with a wider upper end and a narrower lower end configured to penetrate into the carpeted surface; and

b) [at least one aperture] a plurality of apertures, formed in an array in the base plate, configured to withdraw the fluid under a vacuum force.